

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

*In re: Nexium (Esomeprazole Magnesium)
Antitrust Litigation*

This Document Relates to: All Actions

MDL No. 2409

Civil Action No. 1:12-md-02409-WGY

**ASTRAZENECA’S OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFFS’ MOTION *IN LIMINE* TO
PRECLUDE DEFENDANTS FROM INTRODUCING
EVIDENCE OCCURRING ON OR AFTER MAY 27, 2014**

AstraZeneca joins in Teva and Ranbaxy’s oppositions (ECF Nos. 1090 & 1091) to Plaintiffs’ Motion *in Limine* (ECF No. 1071), and writes separately to add as follows:

1. Plaintiffs intend to ply the jury with theory after speculative theory about what might have happened to Teva’s generic Nexium ANDA had AstraZeneca and Teva not settled their patent litigation. Plaintiffs now propose that, at the same time, they be permitted to keep from the jury the most relevant evidence that possibly could bear on this question—what actually *did* happen. *See* ECF No. 857 at 7 & n.1 (“all truths are not for telling”). That neither Teva nor any of the other twelve Nexium ANDA filers has yet received final FDA approval is clearly relevant to whether Teva could have obtained final FDA approval for its generic Nexium product in the absence of the AstraZeneca-Teva settlement agreement.

2. Plaintiffs offer no basis—and there is none—to preclude AstraZeneca from making this point to the jury. Plaintiffs certainly do not suggest (nor could they) that AstraZeneca withheld any discovery bearing in any way on the absence of any generic approvals today.

For these reasons as well as those identified in Teva and Ranbaxy's oppositions, Plaintiffs' motion *in limine* asking the Court to issue a blanket ruling precluding all post-May 27, 2014 evidence should be denied.

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Respectfully submitted,

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